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NATIONAL EGG QUALITY SCHOOL

2024 National Egg Quality School May Meeting May 20, 2024, Park City Utah

Attendees: Diana Sparks, Justin Jarocki, Nichole Martz, Pratima Adhikari, Jeff Hendricks, Aaron Kiess, Paul Patterson, Michael Abbott, Dianna Bourassa, Mike Persia, Shari Yeatts, Roland Mader, Elizabeth Myers, Ken Koelkebeck, Deana Jones, Rafael Rivera, Tony Herrera, Cheri Ellis and E. L. Knicely

Paul Patterson called the meeting to order and asked E. L. Knicely if there was a quorum. E. L. said he received one proxy, Elisa Maloberti named Deana Jones her executor. There were sufficient members in attendance for a quorum.

Paul asked for reading of minutes from the January 2024 Regular meeting held in Atlanta GA. Motion received to dispense with the reading of the minutes, second received, motion passed.

Paul announced Elizabeth Myers would be unable to serve as the Asst. Director for the upcoming year due to other demands on her time. Elizabeth said she had all the information anyone would need on a thumb drive, and she was willing to work with whoever is elected to the position to assure a smooth transition. Paul asked if anyone was interested in being nominated for the Asst. Directors position. After considerable discussion Ken Koelkebeck said he was willing to be considered as a nominee.

Rafael volunteered to check with his folks in the US Poultry & Egg Association about possibly doing the printing for the books. Paul thanked Rafael for everything US Poultry & Egg does for the school.

Deana suggested the Board consider an Event Planning group. She feels a body of work could be shared with an event planner. Paul said he wouldn't feel comfortable handing the planning of the school over to an event planner. Diana pointed out that the school used all the revenues received last year and was concerned about the possible cost. She felt the Board should continue to run the program.

Paul offered a slate of nominees for the officer's positions, and they were as follows.

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A motion was received to accept the slate by acclimation, second received, slate approved.

Greenville South Carolina will be the location for the 2025 school. Diana is reviewing a package submitted by a hotel in Greenville to determine if they will provide an acceptable room rate and to assure the necessary space would be available for the classroom and lab. Diana said the Park City school attracted 74 students. She plans to negotiate the hotel contract for the 2025 school based on 72 students plus staff rooms to avoid over committing on rooms.

A motion was made to adjourn, second received, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, E.L. Knicely, Secretary